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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows, substituting any amended claim(s) for the corresponding pending claim(s):

1. (Currently Amended) A ~~sort~~ system comprising:
a sort controller receiving a plurality of information items regarding content,
wherein the sort controller sorts the information items using sorts keys derived from predetermined user sorting preferences for a current user task context and a content type for the information items to select one or more sort keys for sorting the information items.
2. (Canceled).
3. (Currently Amended) The ~~sort~~ system according to claim 1, wherein the selected sort keys include a primary sort key selected by the user and a secondary sort key selected based on a nature of the current user task context inferred from the primary sort key selected by the user.
4. (Currently Amended) The ~~sort~~ system according to claim 1, wherein a change in the current user task context is inferred from a change of the primary sort key by the user.

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5. (Currently Amended) The ~~sort~~ system according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of information items are displayed in an order determined by the sort controller together with a user control calibrated to groupings having equivalent values under the primary sort key.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~An audio/video~~ A receiver comprising:
an input for receiving content and a plurality of information items regarding the content; and
a sort controller receiving and sorting the information items using sorts keys derived from predetermined user sorting preferences for a current user task context and a content type for the information items ~~to select one or more sort keys for sorting the information items.~~

7. (Canceled).

8. (Currently Amended) The ~~audio/video~~ receiver according to claim 6, wherein the selected sort keys include a primary sort key selected by the user and a secondary sort key selected based on a nature of the current user task context inferred from the primary sort key selected by the user.

9. (Currently Amended) The ~~audio/video~~ receiver according to claim 6, wherein a change in the current user task context is inferred from a change of the primary sort key by the user.

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10. (Currently Amended) The ~~audio/video~~ receiver according to claim 6, wherein the plurality of information items are displayed in an order determined by the sort controller together with a user control calibrated to groupings having equivalent values under the primary sort key.

11. (Currently Amended) A sorting method comprising:
receiving content and a plurality of information items regarding the content; and
sorting the information items using sorts keys derived from predetermined user sorting preferences for a current user task context and a content type for the information items to ~~select one or more sort keys for sorting the information items.~~

12. (Canceled).

13. (Original) The method according to claim 11, wherein the selected sort keys include a primary sort key selected by the user and a secondary sort key selected based on a nature of the current user task context inferred from the primary sort key selected by the user.

14. (Original) The method according to claim 11, wherein a change in the current user task context is inferred from a change of the primary sort key by the user.

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15. (Original) The method according to claim 11, further comprising:

displaying the plurality of information items are displayed in an order determined by sorting using the primary and secondary sort keys together with a user control calibrated to groupings having equivalent values under the primary sort key.

16. (Currently Amended) A signal comprising:

an order listing of information items,

wherein the ordered listing is derived by sorting a plurality of information items using sorts keys derived from predetermined user sorting preferences for a current user task context and a content type for the information items ~~to select one or more sort keys for sorting the information items.~~

17. (Canceled).

18. (Original) The signal according to claim 16, wherein the selected sort keys include a primary sort key selected by the user and a secondary sort key selected based on a nature of the current user task context inferred from the primary sort key selected by the user.

19. (Original) The signal according to claim 16, wherein a change in the current user task context is inferred from a change of the primary sort key by the user.

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20. (Original) The signal according to claim 16, wherein the ordered listing is adapted for generating a display of the ordered listing of information items in an order determined by sorting using the primary and secondary sort keys together with a user control calibrated to groupings having equivalent values under the primary sort key.

21. (New) The system according to claim 1, further comprising a user interface communicably coupled to the sort controller to receive user input identifying the current user task context.

22. (New) The receiver according to claim 6, further comprising a user interface communicably coupled to the sort controller to receive user input identifying the current user task context.

23. (New) The method according to claim 11, further comprising:
receiving user input identifying the current user task context.

24. (New) The signal according to claim 16, wherein the current user task context is identified using user input.